Employment Opportunities

†2298. SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:
DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any decision has been taken by Government to give priority to the industries having labour oriented techniques with regard to foreign investment after Prime Minister's statement to the effect to "Enhance Employment";

(b) if so, the facts in this regard;

(c) whether Government have selected such industries for the purpose of providing more jobs to the labourers; and

(d) if so, the details of such industries?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRASEKHAR RAO): (a) to (d) Tenth Plan envisages creation of 50 million employment opportunities during 2002-07. To create employment potential, Tenth Plan has identified the labour intensive sectors and sub-sectors such as agriculture, including social forestry, animal husbandry, fishing, horticulture and related areas and small and medium industries, construction, tourism, information technology, financial sector, education and health.

Rate of increase of labourers

†2299. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:
DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently undertaken assessment of the annual rate of increase of labourers in the country;

(b) if so, the rate of increase thereof; and

(c) the likely percentage of skilled, unskilled and trained labourers out of these increased labourers?

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